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# The PENNSYLVANIA GAZETTE.

*Containing the Freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtic.*

## PHILADELPHIA.

*An* ACT *to regulate the* MILITIA *of the Commonwealth of* PENNSYLVANIA.

WHEREAS a Militia-law, upon juſt and equitable principles, hath ever been regarded as the beſt ſecurity of liberty, and the moſt effectual means of drawing forth and exerting the natural ſtrength of a State: And whereas it is the indiſpenſible duty of the Freemen of this Commonwealth, to be at all times prepared to reſiſt the hoſtile attempts of its enemies, and more eſpecially now, when America is invaded by a powerful army of Britiſh and foreign mercenaries, and the freedom handed down by our virtuous anceſtors may be in danger of being wreſted from us, unleſs the ſtrongeſt and moſt immediate efforts are made for its ſupport.

Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Repreſentatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennſylvania, in General Aſſembly met, and by the authority of the ſame, That the Preſident, or, in his abſence, the Vice-Preſident of the Supreme Executive Council of this Commonwealth, ſhall commiſſionate one reputable freeholder in the city of Philadelphia, and one in each county within this State, to ſerve as Lieutenant of the Militia for the ſaid city and counties reſpectively; who, beſides the powers which are given him by this act, ſhall have the title and rank which the Preſident and Council ſhall confer; and alſo any number of perſons not exceeding five, for the ſaid city and each county, qualified as aforeſaid, to ſerve as Sub-Lieutenants in the ſaid city and counties reſpectively, which ſaid Lieutenant and Sub-Lieutenants ſhall be reſpectively nominated by this Houſe. And which Lieutenant, or in his abſence or incapacity, two or more Sub-Lieutenants, ſhall have full power and authority to do and perform all and ſingular the duties required of them by this act, except in caſes where a greater number is hereby directed to join together to perform any ſervice.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Lieutenant or Sub-Lieutenants, as aforeſaid, ſhall iſſue his or their warrant to the conſtable of each townſhip, borough, ward or diſtrict in the ſaid city and counties reſpectively, or to ſome other ſuitable perſon, commanding him, in the name of this Commonwealth, to deliver to him or them, the ſaid Lieutenant or Sub-Lieutenants, within ten days from and after the date of the ſaid warrants (unleſs the Lieutenant or Sub-Lieutenants ſhall judge a longer time to be neceſſary, which he is hereby impowered to grant) on oath or affirmation, which they are alſo hereby impowered to adminiſter, a true and exact liſt of the names and ſirnames of each and every male white perſon, uſually inhabiting or reſiding within his townſhip, borough, ward or diſtrict, between the ages of eighteen and fifty-three years, capable of bearing arms, Delegates in Congreſs, Members of the Executive Council, Judges of the Supreme Court, Maſters and Faculty of Colleges, Miniſters of the Goſpel (or Clergy) of every denomination, and ſervants purchaſed *bona fide* and for a valuable conſideration, only excepted.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the Lieutenant or Sub-Lieutenants as aforeſaid, within five days after they ſhall become poſſeſſed of the liſts aforeſaid, ſhall divide the city and counties reſpectively into diſtricts, each diſtrict to contain not leſs than four hundred and forty, nor more than ſix hundred and eighty privates, at the diſcretion of the Lieutenant, and ſub-divide the ſaid diſtricts into eight parts, as nearly equal as may be, paying due regard in each diviſion to the convenience of the inhabitants. Provided always, that nothing in this act contained ſhall be conſtrued to include any of the artillery companies, or troops of light-horſe already formed within this State, nor ſhall prevent or reſtrain the ſaid Lieutenants reſpectively, from forming a ſuitable number of other companies of artillery, and troops of light horſe, in convenient places throughout the ſame. And the ſaid Lieutenants ſhall give public notice by advertiſements, at ten or more of the moſt public places in the ſaid diſtricts reſpectively, of the ſaid diviſions being made, and appointing a certain day for each diſtrict, not leſs than five days after the ſaid notice, and requiring the male white inhabitants between the ages aforeſaid, reſiding in the ſaid diviſions reſpectively, to meet at a certain place as near the center of the ſaid diviſion as may be, and then and there, between the hours of ten in the morning and ſix in the afternoon of the ſaid day, to elect, by ballot, three Field Officers (that is to ſay, one Colonel, one Lieutenant-Colonel, and one Major) each of whom ſhall be a freeholder; and the inhabitants of the ſaid ſub-diviſions reſpectively ſhall elect, by ballot as aforeſaid, on the ſame, or ſome other convenient day as ſoon as poſſible afterward, to be appointed by the Lieutenant, one Captain, two Lieutenants, one Enſign, and two perſons to be ſtiled Court-Martial Men, who ſhall reſpectively be ſuch perſons as are intitled to vote for members to ſerve in the General Aſſembly; and each of the ſaid Captains ſhall appoint a ſuitable perſon for a Clerk in his company. And the ſaid Lieutenant, or, in his abſence, two or more of the ſaid Sub-Lieutenants ſhall attend, and ſuperintend each and every of the ſaid battalion elections, and ſhall cauſe the Colonels ſo elected in the city and counties reſpectively to meet together as ſoon as may be, and caſt lots for rank of their battalions; and the rank of the officers in each battalion ſhall be determined by the lot drawn by their reſpective Colonels; and the Captains ſo elected in the ſub-diviſions ſhall meet and caſt lots for their rank in the battalion to which they belong; and the rank of the ſubaltern officers of each company ſhall be determined by the lot drawn by their reſpective Captains; and the ſaid Lieutenants ſhall, within ten days, or as ſoon as may be, having regard to their local ſituation, tranſmit proper certificates to the Preſident of the Supreme Executive Council, of the names of the perſons ſo as aforeſaid elected, and their rank, both of battalion and companies, in the ſeveral battalions, in order that commiſſions may forthwith be granted to them agreeable to the ſaid certificates. And no Militia-officer ſhall be required to take and ſubſcribe any oath or affirmation at this time, to qualify him to receive a commiſſion to act in the character to which he ſhall be elected.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any battalion or battalions, company or companies, ſhall neglect or refuſe to elect their officers as aforeſaid, then, and in ſuch caſe, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant, with the advice and conſent of two or more of the Sub-Lieutenants of ſuch county, where ſuch neglect or refuſal ſhall be, to appoint ſuch officers ſo neglected to be choſen, and certify the ſame to the Preſident of the Council as aforeſaid, which ſhall be as effectual, to all intents and purpoſes, as if the ſaid officers had been elected as firſt before directed; and the ſaid Lieutenant ſhall, as ſoon as may be, acquaint the parties ſo neglecting or refuſing with the appointments ſo as aforeſaid made. And the ſaid ſeveral and reſpective officers elected or appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall reſpectively ſerve as officers of Militia, for the ſpace of three years; at the end of which time, the Lieutenant of the city and counties reſpectively, in the manner herein before directed, ſhall cauſe a new election to be held in the ſaid city and counties reſpectively. But nothing herein contained ſhall be conſtrued to render any of the former officer or officers incapable of being re-elected.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the rank or precedence of the officers of the city of Philadelphia, and of the ſeveral counties in this Commonwealth, ſhall be determined as follows; that is to ſay, Officers of the city of Philadelphia, the diſtrict of Southwark, the townſhips of the Northern Liberties, Moyamenſing and Paſſyunk, to take rank or precedence of all other officers of equal dignity in this State, and, next to them, the officers of the county of Philadelphia; and ſo on according to the ſeniority of the counties reſpectively.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the ſeveral Lieutenants aforeſaid ſhall, within three days after the reſpective elections aforeſaid, cauſe the ſeveral companies of Militia in their reſpective precincts to be divided by lot into eight parts, to be called claſſes, as nearly equal as may be, and numbered from one to eight, in numerical order: And the ſaid Captains ſhall cauſe the names and ſirnames of the perſons in the reſpective companies, with the claſs to which each belongeth, to be returned to the ſaid Lieutenants reſpectively, at ſuch time as they ſhall appoint, within ſix days after ſuch diviſions are made.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the whole of the Militia ſo enrolled as aforeſaid ſhall be ſubject to be exerciſed in companies under their reſpective officers as followeth; that is to ſay, on the two laſt Mondays in the month of April, and the three firſt Mondays in the month of May; and in battalion, on the fourth Monday in May, and in companies on the two laſt Mondays in the month of Auguſt, and the two laſt Mondays in the month of September, and the third Monday in the month of October, and in battalion on the fourth Monday in October. And on each of which days, every Militia-man ſo enrolled ſhall duly attend, with his arms and accoutrements in good order; and a ſerjeant or clerk of each company is required, at the end of one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the company or battalion, to call over the muſter-roll of the company, noting thoſe who are abſent: And on that day ſhall make return in writing to the Captain or Commanding-Officer then preſent, of ſuch abſentees; and all perſons ſo abſent at the time of calling over the roll, or ſhall depart from the parade before duly diſcharged, ſhall be liable to the fines hereafter mentioned.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any Commiſſioned Officer ſhall neglect or refuſe to attend on any of the days appointed for exerciſe in companies as aforeſaid (unleſs prevented by ſickneſs or ſome other unavoidable accident) ſuch Commiſſioned Officer ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of Ten Shillings per day, and any Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private, and all enrolled perſons ſo refuſing or neglecting (excepting as before excepted) ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of Five Shillings per day: And if on a field-day, or meeting in battalion, then, if a Field Officer, he ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of Five Pounds per day, and a Commiſſioned Officer, under that rank, the ſum of Fifteen Shillings per day; and if a Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private, and enrolled perſon refuſing to meet and exerciſe, the ſum of Seven Shillings and Six-pence per day (excepting as before excepted.) The names and ſirnames of all which perſons ſo incurring the ſaid fines and penalties (except ſuch as may have paid the ſame into the hands of the Captain or Commanding Officer of the company) ſhall be duly returned by the Captain or Commanding Officer of each company, under his hand, together with ſuch fines as he has received, to the Colonels of the battalions reſpectively on each field-day; which ſaid Colonel or Commanding Officers of battalions, ſhall, on receipt of ſuch fines and returns, forthwith tranſmit the ſame to the Lieutenant of the County; and the ſaid Lieutenant ſhall, immediately after the ſaid returns are reſpectively made to him, cauſe the ſame to be reſpectively recovered before one Juſtice of the Peace neareſt the place where the delinquents do reſpectively reſide, as debts under Forty Shillings are by law directed to be recovered; and the ſaid Lieutenant ſhall, twice in each year, tranſmit the ſaid fines, when collected, into the hands of the County Treaſurer, who ſhall pay the ſame into the hands of the State Treaſurer, for the uſe of the State.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the maſter or miſtreſs of any apprentice, and the father or mother of any minor, who ſhall refuſe or neglect to attend as aforeſaid, being in the ſervice of his father or mother, maſter or miſtreſs, ſhall be accountable for the fine or fines ſo incurred by ſuch minor or apprentice.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the Executive Council, in caſe of invaſion or rebellion within this State, or in caſe the aſſiſtance of the Militia of this State ſhall be requeſted by Congreſs to aſſiſt the Continental army in this, or any of the adjoining States, to call into actual ſervice ſuch part of the Militia, by Claſſes as aforeſaid, as to them ſhall ſeem neceſſary, the firſt draft to be compoſed of the Claſs Number One of each Company; and in caſe the firſt draft ſhall not be ſufficient for the exigency, then the Claſs Number Two ſhall be drawn, and ſo on, by Claſſes, from time to time, as occaſion may require: And to the end that each particular draft may be ſuitably officered, the following order is hereby directed and enjoined, That is to ſay—

*For the Firſt Draft.* The Captain of the firſt Company, the Firſt Lieutenant of the ſecond Company, the ſecond Lieutenant of the third Company, and the Enſign of the fourth Company.

*For the Second Draft.* The Captain of the ſecond Company, the Firſt Lieutenant of the firſt Company, the Second Lieutenant of the fourth Company, and the Enſign of the third Company.

*For the Third Draft.* The Captain of the third Company, the Firſt Lieutenant of the fourth Company, the Second Lieutenant of the firſt Company, and the Enſign of the ſecond Company.

*For the Fourth Draft.* The Fourth Captain, the Firſt Lieutenant of the third Company, the Second Lieutenant of the ſecond Company, and the Enſign of the firſt Company.

*For the Fifth Draft.* The Fifth Captain, the Firſt Lieutenant of the ſixth Company, the Second Lieutenant of the ſeventh Company, and the Enſign of the eighth Company.

*For the Sixth Draft.* The Sixth Captain, the Firſt Lieutenant of the fifth Company, the Second Lieutenant of the eighth Company, and the Enſign of the ſeventh Company.

*For the Seventh Draft.* The Captain of the ſeventh Company, the Firſt Lieutenant of the eighth Company, the Second Lieutenant of the fifth Company, and the Enſign of the ſixth Company.

*For the Eighth Draft.* The Captain of the eighth Company, the Firſt Lieutenant of the ſeventh Company, the Second Lieutenant of the ſixth Company, and the Enſign of the fifth Company. Non-commiſſioned Officers to take their tour of duty with the Commiſſioned Officers.

And the Field Officers of Battalions in the city of Philadelphia, and in each county of the State, ſhall be divided in like manner, and each claſs to be conſidered as detachments from different corps, liable to ſerve two months, and to be relieved by the Claſs next in numerical order, the relief to arrive at leaſt two days before the expiration of the term of the Claſs to be relieved. But nothing herein contained ſhall prevent the Supreme Executive Council from employing, or calling out one half of any Battalion, where it may be convenient, or one half of any Company, without reſpect to this rule, whenever the exigency is too ſudden to allow the aſſembling the ſcattered militia which compoſe the particular claſſes: and the Militia in actual ſervice ſhall receive the ſame pay and rations as Continental Troops, their pay to commence two days before their marching, and receive pay and rations at the rate of twenty miles per day, till they return home.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if, after the regulation aforeſaid, it ſhould ſo happen that ſubſtitutes cannot be found for all the enrolled Militia upon the ſaid limited drafts, then and in ſuch caſe, each and every of the perſons who cannot yield their perſonal ſervice as aforeſaid, nor find ſubſtitutes, ſhall pay ſuch ſum or ſums of money, as each of the ſubſtitutes included in the ſaid drafts will amount unto upon an average within each reſpective battalion. Provided alſo, that no Militia-man, having perſonally or by ſubſtitute ſerved in the Militia, ſhall be obliged to ſerve again until by rotation it comes to his turn.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That no Officer ſerving in the Militia, when called out into actual ſervice, ſhall ſit in any Court-Martial upon the trial of any Officer or Soldier ſerving in any of the Continental Forces: Nor ſhall any Officer ſerving in any of the Continental Forces or other Troops in any other of the United States, ſit in any Court-Martial upon the trial of any Officer or private man ſerving in the Militia of this State.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That when any part or parts of the Militia ſhall be called into actual ſervice, every perſon enrolled as aforeſaid, who is not an Officer, ſhall have it in his choice, either to ſerve in perſon, or to find a ſufficient perſon for a ſubſtitute, which ſaid ſubſtitute ſhall be approved of by the Lieutenant, Sub-Lieutenant, or by one of the Field Officers of the Battalion to which he belongs; and if an Officer, he ſhall find as a ſubſtitute an officer of equal rank to be approved of by the Lieutenant of the county: But if any perſon ſhall neglect or refuſe to ſerve, or find ſuch ſufficient ſubſtitute in his place, within three days after notice given to him, the Lieutenant or Sub-Lieutenant of the county neareſt to where ſuch delinquent reſides ſhall, and he is hereby required to provide, hire, or procure, on as reaſonable terms as may be, a ſubſtitute for ſuch perſon ſo refuſing or neglecting, and to charge ſuch ſum or ſums, together with reaſonable expences for procuring the ſame, to ſuch delinquent, to be recovered by diſtreſs and ſale of his goods and chattels, lands and

tenements, by warrant under the hands and ſeals of any two Juſtices of the Peace of the county where ſuch perſon reſides; and if ſuch delinquent be unmarried, then the ſaid money to be recovered againſt him in the ſame manner as is directed by the laws of this State in caſes of debts under Five Pounds.

Provided always, That if any perſon or perſons ſhall think him, her or themſelves aggrieved in the ſeizure of his, her or their lands and tenements, he, ſhe or they may enter an appeal before the Juſtices to the next Court of Common Pleas for the County, and on the parties giving ſufficient ſecurity, within ſix days next after any lands and tenements ſhall be ſeized or diſtrained as aforeſaid, to proſecute ſuch appeal with effect, the Juſtices ſhall receive the ſame and ſtay further proceſs: And the ſaid Juſtices ſhall return every ſuch appeal on the firſt day of the next term, and the Court ſhall direct a trial by a Jury of the Country, as in other caſes of debt, whoſe verdict ſhall be final and concluſive; and except in extraordinary caſes, of which the Court ſhall be Judge, all ſuch appeals ſhall be tried at the term to which ſuch returns ſhall be made; any law, cuſtom or uſage to the contrary notwithſtanding.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That arms and accoutrements ſufficient for two Claſſes in each Company ſhall be provided, at the expence of the State, as ſoon as convenient, by the Lieutenant of the city of Philadelphia, and of the ſeveral counties of this State; and ſhall be in the care, and under the direction of the ſaid Lieutenants reſpectively, and marked with the name of the County, and the number of the Battalion, to which they belong.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any perſon or perſons ſhall ſell, or knowingly buy, take in exchange, conceal, or otherwiſe receive, contrary to the true intent and meaning of this act, any arms or accoutrements belonging to this State, on any account or pretence whatſoever, the perſon ſo offending, being convicted thereof before one or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace of the City or County where ſuch offence ſhall be committed, ſhall forfeit and pay for every ſuch offence treble the value of ſuch arms or accoutrements, to be aſcertained by the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices, and levied by diſtreſs and ſale of the offender's goods and chattels, by the Juſtice or Juſtices before whom ſuch offender ſhall be convicted, returning the overplus (if any) on demand, to ſuch offender, and for want of ſuch diſtreſs, ſhall commit ſuch offender to the common goal of the county, there to remain without bail or mainprize for any term not exceeding three months, unleſs ſuch money is ſooner paid.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the Commiſſioned Officers of each Company ſhall appoint four Serjeants, four Corporals, one Drummer and one Fifer, for their reſpective Companies. And all perſons who have heretofore been Officers in the Militia under the late Aſſociation, if not re-elected, ſhall deliver up their arms, accoutrements, drums, fifes and colours, if paid for by the Public, to the Lieutenant of the county aforeſaid, or unto the neareſt Sub-Lieutenant; and the Lieutenant of the city of Philadelphia, and the Lieutenants of the ſeveral counties reſpectively, are hereby authoriſed to draw on the State-Treaſury for the purchaſe of ſuch drums, fifes and colours, as may afterwards be wanting to ſupply the Companies in the city and counties reſpectively.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, that the Field Officers of each Battalion in this State ſhall conſtitute and appoint to their reſpective Battalion, one Quarter-Maſter, one Adjutant, one Serjeant-Major, and one Drum and Fife-Major, which Serjeant-Major, and Drum and Fife-Major, ſhall be perſons experienced in the duties of their reſpective offices.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That no Militia-man ſhall leave the company to which he belongs, or join any other, under the penalty of Three Pounds, to be recovered before a Juſtice of the Peace of the county, unleſs in caſe of removing to ſome other diſtrict within this or any other State, and in ſuch caſe he ſhall apply to the Commander of ſuch company, who ſhall give him a certificate of his being diſcharged, and if the ſaid Militia-man had been in actual ſervice, ſhall alſo certify the time thereof, and how long he had continued therein.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the Lieutenant, or in his abſence the neareſt two Sub-Lieutenants, in the city and counties reſpectively, ſhall cauſe the conſtable or ſome other ſuitable perſon of the ſeveral townſhips, boroughs, wards or diſtricts, within their reſpective juriſdictions, to make true liſts annually of all male white perſons between the ages aforeſaid, uſually reſiding in their reſpective townſhips, boroughs, wards or diſtricts, in order that ſuch as ſhall then be above the age of fifty-three years, or otherwiſe diſqualified, may be diſcharged, and that ſuch as are arrived to proper age, or may have within the ſaid year become reſidenters, may be enrolled, and the Conſtable ſhall be allowed Five Shillings only for each day he ſhall be faithfully employed in obtaining and returning a liſt of the perſons of his townſhip, to be paid by the County Treaſurer reſpectively, out of the monies in his hands belonging to the State.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That no perſon ſerving as a ſubſtitute for another ſhall thereby be excuſed from ſerving in his own turn.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any Militia-man when called into actual ſervice ſhall abſent himſelf or deſert from the Company, Battalion or Troop to which he belongs, the perſon or perſons ſo offending ſhall forfeit and pay a ſum equal to two months pay, and if an Officer ſhall be caſhiered.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the Lieutenant, with one or more of the ſaid Sub-Lieutenants, together with any one Juſtice of the Peace, or any two or more Sub-Lieutenants, together with any two Juſtices of the Peace, ſhall meet in the city and the ſeveral counties from time to time, as often as they ſhall find neceſſary for the due execution of this act, and one of the ſaid meetings in every year ſhall be on the laſt Monday in the month of July, and one other of the ſaid meetings ſhall be on the third Monday in the month of December.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Lieutenant of the City, and the ſaid Lieutenants for the counties reſpectively, ſhall have and receive the ſum of Fifteen Shillings per day each for their trouble, and the Sub-Lieutenants of the ſaid city and counties reſpectively ſhall have and receive the ſum of Twelve Shillings per day each for their trouble, for every day in which they ſhall be employed, in doing and performing the reſpective duties required of them by this act, which ſaid ſum or ſums of money ſhall be reſpectively paid unto them out of the State Treaſury.

And if upon any draft of part of the Militia for actual ſervice it ſhould happen to fall to the lot of any minor or apprentice to be ſo drafted, and the ſaid minor or apprentice ſhould neglect or refuſe to go, and alſo the parent, or maſter or miſtreſs, refuſe or neglect to find a ſubſtitute in his ſtead, and a ſubſtitute or ſubſtitutes having been found agreeable to the directions of this act, it is hereby enacted and declared, That the father or mother of ſuch minor, and the maſter or miſtreſs of ſuch apprentice, ſhall be liable to the payment of ſuch ſum or ſums of money as it ſhall coſt to procure ſuch ſubſtitute or ſubſtitutes: And alſo, in caſe ſuch ſubſtitute or ſubſtitutes cannot be obtained, then to pay all ſuch fines or ſums of money as are impoſed by this act on ſuch minor or apprentice.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, that if any parent, guardian, maſter or miſtreſs, of any perſon between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one years, or of any other perſon made liable to ſerve in the Militia by this act, ſhall think him or herſelf aggrieved by any of the rates, fines, or ſum or ſums of money agreed for in the procuring of ſubſtitutes (and for the redreſs of which no expreſs proviſion is already made by this act) he, ſhe or they may appeal to the Lieutenants and Juſtices aforeſaid, on the days and times before-mentioned, who are hereby required and enjoined to give attendance from day to day, as long as may be neceſſary, at ſuch convenient place or places as they ſhall appoint, of which days and places of meeting they ſhall cauſe due notice to be given to the inhabitants, and then and there the ſaid Lieutenants and Juſtices ſhall hear all ſuch appeals as may be made to them, and ſhall moderate or remit the ſaid rates and fines as to them ſhall appear juſt and neceſſary, in conſideration of inability of body or eſtate only.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That on the death, removal, or other incapacity of any of the Lieutenants of the city and counties reſpectively, the Sub-Lieutenants ſhall continue to act, and exerciſe all the authorities by this act committed to them, until the General Aſſembly and the Supreme Executive Council ſhall have appointed and commiſſioned another Lieutenant or Lieutenants in his or their room or ſtead.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That all the Lieutenants and Sub-Lieutenants, to be appointed by virtue of this act, ſhall regularly once in every ſix months lay their accounts of the money received and expended by them before the General Aſſembly, or any Committee appointed by them for that purpoſe.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any Commiſſioned Officer, Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private Militia-man of this State, who has, or hereafter may loſe a limb in any engagement, in the ſervice of this State, or in the ſervice of the United States of America, or be ſo diſabled as to render him incapable of getting a livelihood, ſhall receive during life, or the continuation of ſuch diſability, a penſion, not more than one half of the monthly pay, from and after the pay as an officer or private Militia-man ceaſes; ſtill ſubject to be lowered, ſo as to be made adequate to the neceſſity of ſuch diſabled Officer or Private Militia-man, by the judgment of the Orphans Court of the county where ſuch diſabled Officer or Private Militia-man ſhall dwell or reſide. And every Officer or Private, diſabled as aforeſaid, ſhall, before he be legally entitled to the penſion above mentioned, produce a certificate from the Commanding Officer who was in the ſame engagement in which he was wounded, or from ſome other Officer of the ſame corps, or the Surgeon that attended him: And upon ſuch diſabled Officer, Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private Militia-man's producing ſuch certificate as aforeſaid to the Orphans Court of the county where ſuch diſabled Officer or Private Militia-man ſhall dwell or reſide, the ſaid Court is hereby enjoined and required to give every ſuch Officer or Private an order on the Lieutenant of the ſaid county for ſuch ſum or ſums of money from time to time as to them ſhall appear juſt and neceſſary: And the ſaid Lieutenant is hereby enjoined and required to accept and pay the ſaid order to ſuch Officer or Private: And the ſaid Lieutenant ſhall draw on the State Treaſurer as often as he ſhall have occaſion, for ſuch ſum or ſums of money as he ſhall make appear to the Preſident and Council to be neceſſary for carrying this Law into execution.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any Officer, Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private Militia-man reſiding in this State, having a family, ſhall be killed or die of his wounds received in the ſervice of this or the United States, a certificate from ſome Officer (who was in the ſame engagement in which he was ſo killed or wounded, and died of his wounds) being produced to the Orphans Court, and alſo a certificate from the Overſeers of the Poor, and two other reputable freeholders of the townſhip, borough, ward or diſtrict, where the family of ſuch deceaſed Officer, Non-commiſſioned Officer, or Private Militia-man ſhall dwell or reſide at that time, ſetting forth the particular circumſtances of ſuch family, the age or ages of the child or children, and the neceſſity of granting them ſome ſupport, the ſaid Orphans Court, when poſſeſſed of the certificates aforeſaid, are hereby authoriſed to give an order in favour of ſuch family upon the Lieutenant of the County, for ſuch ſum of money as they may think juſt and neceſſary for the ſupport of ſuch family from time to time. Provided always, that the ſupport granted do not exceed half the pay that ſuch Officer, Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private Militia-man was entitled to at the time of ſuch killing or wounding.

Be it enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any Lieutenant, Sub-Lieutenant, Officer of the Militia, or Conſtable, ſhall be found guilty of any fraud, or wilful partiality to any perſon, in the carrying this act into execution, or ſhall refuſe or neglect to do and perform all and ſingular the duties (other than military duties) required of him or them reſpectively by this act, and ſhall be duly convicted thereof by a Jury of his Country, before any Court of Record in this State, ſuch Lieutenant, Sub-Lieutenant, Militia Officer, or Conſtable, ſhall for every ſuch offence be fined, at the diſcretion of ſuch Court, in any ſum not exceeding Fifty Pounds.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforeſaid, That if any ſuit or ſuits ſhall be brought or commenced againſt any perſon or perſons, for any thing done in purſuance of this act, the action ſhall be laid in the county where the cauſes of ſuch action did ariſe, and not elſewhere. And the defendant or defendants in ſuch action or actions to be brought may plead the general iſſue, and give this act and the ſpecial matter in evidence; and if the Jury ſhall find for the defendant or defendants in ſuch action or actions, or if the plaintiff or plaintiffs ſhall be non-ſuited, or diſcontinue his or their action or actions, after the defendant or defendants ſhall have appeared, or if upon demurrer judgment ſhall be given againſt the plaintiff or plaintiffs, the defendant or defendants ſhall have treble coſts, and have the like remedy for the ſame, as any defendant or defendants hath or have in other caſes to recover coſts by Law.

[*The Remainder, which contains Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Militia, in our next,*]

## BOSTON, March 13.

The privateer ſloop Satisfaction, Capt. Stevens, of this port, mentioned in our laſt to be in chace of a ſail, took her, which proved to be the ſhip Royal George, Peter Young, maſter, from London for Venice, burden 300 tons, 24 guns, from 1 to 3 pounders, which is arrived in a ſafe port; the contents of the cargo is nearly as follows, viz. 128 hogſheads of allom; 15 bales woollen goods; 7 caſks earthen ware; 40 caſks pipes; 12 to 14 bales hard ware; 185 bags pepper, containing 300 lb. each; 9 bales empty bags; 2 bales ſarſaparilla; 6 caſks Epſom ſalts; 107 hogſheads tin plates, from 6 to 700 wt. 300 caſks pilchards; 3 bales canvas and 20 or 30 bales ſtores.

A few days ſince, Captain Babſon arrived from South Carolina, and brings advice, that a brig of 16 guns, belonging to that ſtate, and commanded by Capt. Pickering, of the State of New-Hampſhire, went into a port of Jamaica, and brought off three large ſhips loaded with rum and ſugar, two of which had ſafely arrived. He further ſays, that the State of South Carolina had compleated their quota of troops for the Continental Army, and that they had marched to join Gen. Waſhington—that rich and poor were in high ſpirits—that Fort Sullivan was very ſtrong, and that another viſit from Sir Peter Parker was earneſtly deſired.

Monday laſt 8 or 10 of the enemy's veſſels, among them ſome brigs and ſchooners, ſailed from Newport, ſuppoſed to be bound for New-York; and on Thurſday ſailed 16 others.

## NEW-LONDON, March 14.

Saturday morning laſt, 11 ſail of men of war and tranſports, being part of the Britiſh fleet from Rhode-Iſland, appeared in the Offing, juſt without the weſt end of Fiſher's-Iſland, ſtanding to the weſtward, but the wind being ſmall and tide unfavourable, they drifted back to the point, and came to anchor.

On Sunday they made ſail, and about noon anchored north ſide of the iſland, where they continued till Tueſday morning, when the whole came to ſail and ſtood to the eaſtward.

The appearance of this fleet ſo near us occaſioned the militia from the neighbouring towns to be ordered in, for defence of the harbour, &c. Among whom was the Norwich Light-Infantry company, commanded by Col. Chriſtopher Leffingwell, who made a genteel and martial appearance, being neatly dreſſed in uniform.

After the departure of the above fleet, Col. Leffingwell went to Fiſher's-Iſland, accompanied by ſeveral boats, to make what diſcoveries they could; where they procured the following memorandum from Mr. Brown, who lives on the iſland, viz. That the fleet took off the iſland 106 ſheep, 8 oxen, 11 cows, 22 yearlings, 26 ſwine, 24 turkies, 4 dozen fowls, 123 buſhels of corn, 100 buſhels of potatoes, 5 and half tons preſſed hay, and 3 cords of wood; they alſo took a parcel of pork out of the cellar, and ſome bed covering, ſuch as blankets and ſheets, they alſo ſhot a number of ſheep Mr. Brown had no account of.—That the armed ſhips were the Amazon, Capt. Jacobs, Greyhound, Capt. Dickinſon, and Lark, Capt. Smith, with ſeven tranſports. That they landed three companies of Britiſh and three companies of Heſſian troops.

We learn that the ſtock, &c. which was taken from Fiſher's-Iſland was chiefly paid for.

## FISH-KILL, March 20.

*Extract of a letter from Morris-town, March 15.*

"A corporal and 4 privates of the Britiſh grenadiers came over a few days ago, alſo a private of the 71ſt regiment, and ſince that another grenadier; by information from them, and other concurrent teſtimony from New-York, General Howe's plan is, to march to Philadelphia by land, and to facilitate the expedition he has got a parcel of boats ready (to ſerve for pontoons) to lay a bridge croſs the Delaware; in conſequence thereof, it is conjectured that General Waſhington will remove head-quarters ſoon. His Excellency has been ill for ſome days, but is now perfectly recovered, and has the ſatisfaction of his amiable Lady's company, who arrived here this day in good health."

*Morris-town, March 16, 1777.*

*Mr.* LOUDON,

FOR the information of the officers engaged in the Continental ſervice on the new eſtabliſhment, you are deſired to inſert the following liſt of pay, as I received it from Charles Thomſon, Eſq; Secretary of Congreſs, and you will greatly oblige,

Your's, &c.

WILLIAM PALFREY,
Pay-Maſter General.

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| Colonel per month, | 75 | Dollars. |
| Lieutenant Colonel | 60 | |
| Major | 50 | |
| Chaplain | 33 1-3 | |
| Surgeon | 33 1-3 | |
| Surgeon's Mate | 18 | |
| Adjutant | 40 | |
| Quarter-Maſter | 27 1-2 | |
| Regimental Pay-Maſter | 26 2-3 | |
| Captain | 40 | |
| Lieutenant | 27 | |
| Enſign | 20 | |
| Serjeant-Major and Quarter-Maſter Serjeant | 9 | each. |
| Drum-Major and Fife-Major | 8 1-3 | each. |
| Serjeant | 8 | |
| Corporal | 7 1-3 | |
| Drummer and Fifer | 7 1-3 | each. |
| Private | 6 2-3 | |

All other officers, &c. the ſame as laſt year.

The printers in the other States are alſo requeſted to inſert the above in their papers.

## PHILADELPHIA, *March 26.*

IN CONGRESS, *March 21.*

*Reſolved*, That for preventing unneceſſary expence when the Militia of any of the States is called to ſerve in the pay of the United States, no more officers ſhall be entitled to pay than a proper number in proportion to the privates, viz.—for every company conſiſting of not leſs than thirty-ſix and under fifty privates, two Commiſſioned Officers—for every company not leſs than fifty and under ſixty-eight privates, three Commiſſioned Officers—for every company of ſixty-eight or more privates, four Commiſſioned Officers—and for every battalion of five hundred or more privates, three Field Officers—for every battalion under five hundred and not leſs than three hundred privates, a Lieutenant Colonel and Major, and for any number of privates above one hundred and fifty and under three hundred, one Lieutenant Colonel or Major. *By order of Congreſs,*

JOHN HANCOCK, Preſident.

IN CONGRESS, *March 22, 1777.*

*Reſolved*, That John Ord, Robert Richie, and James Budden, be appointed additional Managers of the Lottery of the United States.

*Ordered*, That the Managers of the Lottery of the

United States, draw the ſame agreeable to the mode uſually practiſed in the State Lotteries in Europe, and frequently uſed in large Lotteries in America, by putting all the numbers in one wheel, and the prizes *only* in the other.

*By order of Congreſs,*
JOHN HANCOCK, *Preſident.*

Tueſday laſt arrived here the brig Sally, Capt. Stocker, in 11 weeks from Nantz in France, with 6,800 ſtand of ſmall arms, a large number of gun-locks, &c.

A gentleman of the firſt rank in this city has received a letter from his correſpondent in France, who is one of the moſt eminent merchants in that kingdom, informing him that the commercial intereſt in that country were ſo much in favour of the gallant Engliſh Americans, that, under the ſanction of government, they had began, and hoped ſoon to eſtabliſh, a bank in favour of Continental currency, and did not doubt but all the powers in Europe would immediately receive it, except the Engliſh, whoſe diſtreſſed finances, it was expected, would ſoon oblige them to acknowledge the Americans to be free and independent States.

Since our laſt, Capt. ——, in a letter of marque ſloop, arrived here from Martinico; ſhe took two prizes on the paſſage, viz. a ſloop from Madeira for Jamaica, not yet arrived, and a ſloop from New-York for Barbados, which ſhe brought in with her.

Depar ed this life, on the 8th inſtant, the Rev. Mr. WILLIAM TENNENT, Miniſter of Freehold, aged 72 years, and in the 46th year of his miniſtry, faithful and beloved.

On the ſixth inſtant the privateer brig General Mifflin, Captain Hamilton, of this port, returning from a cruize, was overtaken by a violent ſnow ſtorm, which determined the Captain to carry her into Sinepuxent, but the pilot, being ignorant of the channel, unfortunately ran her on ſhore, when the veſſel bilged, and was ſoon filled with water. The hands (ninety odd) were on the quarter deck the whole night, and ſuffered exceedingly, and in the morning got on ſhore on a deſolate beach, covered with ſnow, where ſeventeen of them periſhed, but by timely aſſiſtance the remainder of the crew were ſaved. Near three thouſand pounds worth of prize effects were on board, which were loſt with the veſſel.

The Supreme Executive Council of this State has appointed the Hon. JOSEPH READ, Eſq; Chief Juſtice of the ſame. with a ſalary of One Thouſand Pounds a year. The Puiſne Judges, who are not yet appointed, are to have each Five Hundred Pounds a year.

Laſt Friday the General Aſſembly of this State adjourned to Monday the 12th day of May next.

The following is the nomination of Lieutenants and Sub-Lieutenants for this State, viz.

*For the city of Philadelphia.* ——, Lieutenant. Richard Humphreys, George Henry, Frederick Hagner, Caſper Geyer, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Philadelphia county.* William Coates, Eſq; Lieut. Jacob Engle, Samuel Dewees, George Smith, Archibald Thomſon, William Antis, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Bucks.* Joſeph Kirkbride, Eſq; Lieut. John Gill, Samuel Smith. W. Crawford, John Levy, Andrew Kachlein, Eſqs; Sub Lieutenants.

*Cheſter.* Robert Smith, Eſq; Lieut. Benjamin Brannon, Thomas Strawbridge, Thomas Cheney, Lewis Gronow, Andrew Boyd, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Lancaſter.* Bartram Galbreath, Eſq; Lieut. James Crawford, Adam Ort, Robert Thompſon, Joſhua Elder, Chriſtopher Crawford, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*York.* Richard M'Calliſter, Eſq; Lieut. Hans Morris, Robert Stevenſon, John Hay, James M'Canlis, John Cannon, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Cumberland.* John Armſtrong, Eſq; Lieut. James Gregory, Benjamin Blythe, Robert M'Coy, George Sharp, John Harris, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Berks.* Jacob Morgan, ſen. Eſq; Lieut. John Old, Abraham Lincoln, Henry Shoemaker, Chriſtopher Lower, jun. Valentine Eckart, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Northampton.* John Witzel, Eſq; Lieut. Jacob Shoemaker, David Daſhler, Arthur Lattimore, John Chambers, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Bedford.* John Piper, Eſq; Lieut. Abraham Cable, Richard Brown, William Holliday, Hugh Davis, Edward Coombs, Eſqs; Sub Lieutenants.

*Northumberland.* Samuel Hunter, Eſq; Lieut. Walter Clark, William Murray, George Wolfe, William Watſon, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Weſtmoreland.* Archibald Lochry, Eſq; Lieut. Charles Campbel, James Penny, Edward Cook, James Pollock, Chriſtopher Hays, Eſqs; Sub-Lieutenants.

*Meſſieurs HALL and SELLERS.*

SORRY am I to ſee that rancorous conteſt concerning the Conſtitution of this State, revived with all the aſperity it firſt commenced. The matter in debate ſeems a meer nothing: for when the ſticklers for a Legiſlative Council urge the danger of having crude and inconſiſtent bills paſs into laws, without a ſecond digeſtion in another houſe, the fact is ſtill admitted on the other ſide, and in ſeveral publications remedies for this evil have been propoſed.

Philerene, whoſe calm and ſenſible performance does him much honour, goes, however, a little too far, in propoſing that the people ſhould inſtruct their repreſentatives to vote a number of their own body a Council for reviſing the laws, and inveſt them with a negative power. Conſtituents ſhould never truſt Legiſlative Repreſentatives with a power of altering the conſtitution; and to eſtabliſh any power, which ſhould be *able to controul* the immediate Repreſentative of the whole people, would be an eſſential and fundamental alteration of the conſtitution. The wiſdom of Pennſylvania collected in the late Convention concluded juſtly that the power of government really reſided in the body of the people, and conſidering we have no hereditary King nor Lords, whoſe prerogatives entitle them to negatives in their own right, a negative, or power of controuling the *united will* of the *whole community*, is not only *abſurd* and *ridiculous*, but *highly dangerous*. Conſiſtent with their truſt, the convention could not have eſtabliſhed ſuch a power, without ſpecial inſtructions for that purpoſe, neither had they a precedent for it in our former Conſtitution. Yet that there ſhould be a power to reviſe, and moſt ſcrutinouſly to examine the Bills of the Aſſembly, will be allowed by every one who conſiders the neceſſity of having laws concordant with themſelves and the Conſtitution, and adequate to the deſigns of their framers.

As the people, the *common people alone*, are the ſource of conſtituent power in this country, their immediate repreſentatives are of courſe the *ſupreme delegate power*. This repreſentative body may call to their aſſiſtance the advice of what bodies they judge neceſſary; but there is a material difference between calling in advice, and obliging ourſelves to take it whether we approve of it or not. The republic of Holland has a great lawyer whom they call a Penſionary, whoſe buſineſs it is to examine all their bills, and point out every flaw or imperfection he can diſcover in them. The great lawyer, now ſet at the head of the judicial department, would undoubtedly take the ſame trouble, *without fee or reward*, were he applied to by the legiſlature for that purpoſe. We cannot ſuppoſe either the Council, or the Supreme Court, ſo mercenary as to deny a little extra ſervice, when they are pretty generouſly gratified for what they do ſtatedly.

Inſtructions of this tendency may be given with the utmoſt ſafety, and I dare to engage our worthy repreſentatives would moſt chearfully obey them. All the clamour againſt our conſtitution muſt then vaniſh immediately, and the State of Pennſylvania would throughout become a

PHILADELPHIA.

Meſſieurs HALL and SELLERS,

*Pleaſe to give the following a place in your paper, and you will oblige a conſtant reader.*

THE country people who may have occaſion to be in the city of Philadelphia, are hereby cautioned to be aware of a ſett of wicked men, who make it their buſineſs, now in this time of public calamity and diſtreſs, by one trivial pretence or other, to draw in unwary perſons to taverns and elſewhere; and there, under colour of getting their money changed, or making ſome bargain, find an opportunity to diveſt them of their money. Such perſons are now frequently to be met with in the ſtreets, by whom, to my knowledge, ſome have ſuffered loſs. The writer of this (among many more) being one on whom their infernal practices have been tried in vain, thought it his duty to give this caution.

*At a meeting of the* Whig Society, *held at the Philoſophical Society-Hall, on Tueſday evening, the eighteenth current, by adjournment, the following Addreſs was ordered to be publiſhed in all the papers, Engliſh and German, in the State of Pennſylvania.*

*Mr.* CHARLES WILLSON PEALE *in the chair.*
*Teſt.* THOMAS YOUNG, *Secretary.*

TO THE PUBLIC.

NOTHING is more common among mankind than to purſue the ſame object by different means. The fault, if it is one, is founded in nature, and the only remedy is a ſerious and candid inquiry into the reaſon and relation of things, and a diſpaſſionate reſolution to be determined by that reſult.

A conſtitution has been formed for this State by a body of men fairly elected and delegated for that purpoſe. Exceptions have been, by ſome perſons, taken againſt it. Whatever the government of this country is, or is to be, it will equally affect all its inhabitants. As all are therefore alike concerned, we would, in the moſt affectionate manner, intreat our fellow citizens throughout the State to conſider our preſent condition. Our character for wiſdom and every civil and political virtue, our ſtrength and importance, depend intirely upon our unanimity and firmneſs in purſuit of that one grand and intereſting object, our civil liberty, and general independancy. A noiſy and ill-natured wrangling, about the deſigns of the framers or oppoſers of the conſtitution, can anſwer no other purpoſe than to injure and diſgrace us.

Known unto God alone are the motives which influence all men, and common juſtice ſhould incite us to admit, that in ſuch intricate ſyſtems as frames of government very wiſe and honeſt men may differ widely. An enemy is at our gates, an enemy within our doors; without government, laws, and civil magiſtrates, we can neither draw forth our military ſtrength to oppoſe the one, nor exert our civil power to ſuppreſs the other. Should we, in this ſituation, unhinge thoſe neceſſary powers, how dreadful would be our condition, ſhould an alarm or actual invaſion happen at the ſame time? We have not the leaſt ſecurity againſt theſe fatal incidents, except the unanimous exertions of that natural force, to which, under God, our ſafety has once and again been owing.

We would, by no means, wiſh to take the leaſt advantage of the times. We have not that fond notion of our own political wiſdom, as to imagine ourſelves, or our late delegates, infallible, in ſuch arduous undertakings as the formation of conſtitutions. We would only beg leave to obſerve, that either in the firſt framing, or after alteration of a government, the ſenſe of the ſociety at large ſhould be taken in the fulleſt manner. We with earneſtly to ſee every poſſible objection to our preſent conſtitution fairly ſtated, and coolly diſcuſſed; and we plight our public faith that, on conviction of any error, omiſſion, or redundancy in it, that may be accounted worthy of amendment by a majority of the inhabitants of Pennſylvania, we will moſt cheerfully join our brethren in our endeavours to procure the alteration. All we mean is to deprecate the dreadful experiment of a violent diſſolution of the preſent bond of our ſociety; knowing that from ſuch a meaſure nothing but ſlaughter, rapine, murder, and the domination of the longeſt ſword, and ſtrongeſt arm, can enſue.

Our only apology for this addreſs is the alarming tendency of a few publications, which, whatever merit they might have had in a ſeaſon of general tranquillity, we cannot omit informing you we now look upon as very ill-timed at leaſt, and whatever may be aſſerted, by no means the preſent ſenſe of the Whig Society in this city. Signed by the unanimous order of the Society.

CHARLES WILLSON PEALE, Chairman.

*Philadelphia, March* 18.

*The following articles are handing about in this city, and were the firſt night ſigned by upwards of fifty, and ſince then by a conſiderable number of the friends of liberty.*

WHEREAS by the ſteady perſeverance of many true friends to liberty, and the public welfare, a happy coalition has been effected between different parties, equally ſolicitous for the welfare of their country, though differing in opinion as to ſome means not eſſentially neceſſary for obtaining it, and there is a fair proſpect of the reſtoration of order and the due eſtabliſhment of civil and legal authority, under which the ſtrength of the ſtate may be collected and exerted, and the inhabitants in every ſtate of life be ſecured in the poſſeſſion of peace and property. And whereas it appears that there is nevertheleſs a ſcheme now forming to overturn all preſent order and authority, and to deprive us of the advantages of a militia law for our defence, and to throw our public affairs again into confuſion, we, whoſe names are underwritten, in order to prevent the irreparable miſchiefs which muſt enſue, ſhould the enemies to our peace ſucceed, do ſolemnly engage ourſelves to each other, and to the public, that we will moſt firmly adhere to and abide by the following articles.

Firſt, That we will, to the utmoſt of our abilities, ſupport the juſt and neceſſary authority of Congreſs, and the union and independance of the American States, againſt all foreign power and domeſtic machinations whatever.

Secondly, That we will, as far as in us lies, promote peace and good order in the State, and endeavour to bring to juſtice thoſe who ſhall attempt to diſturb either.

Thirdly, That we will not, by force or violence, or by falſe repreſentations, endeavour either to confirm or overturn any part of the preſent conſtitution, contrary to the general ſenſe of the State, but will refer the proof of every part thereof either to a candid reaſoning or a fair experiment.

Fourthly, That in the mean time we will, to the utmoſt of our power, ſupport the civil magiſtrate in the execution of ſuch wholeſome *laws* as are or ſhall be enacted by the preſent Aſſembly.

*Philadelphia, March* 18.


*Juſt publiſhed, and to be ſold by* JOHN DUNLAP, *in Market ſtreet, Philadelphia,*

An ACT to regulate the MILITIA of the COMMONWEALTH of PENNSYLVANIA.

WANTS a Place, as a WET NURSE, A WOMAN, with a good Breaſt of Milk, who can be well recommended. Enquire of the Printers. ¶

*To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE, at the London Coffee-Houſe, on Saturday, the 5th day of April, at ſix o' clock in the evening,*

THE *UPPER FERRY on Schuylkill, commonly called Aſheton's Ferry, together with* 58 *Acres of Land, more or leſs; on the premiſes are a commodious large dwelling-houſe, ſtables ſufficient for* 100 *horſes, and a new ſhed for the convenience of loaded waggons; near the landing is a good ſtone quarry. The Ferry is furniſhed with two Boats, Ropes, and other neceſſaries. The ſituation is delightful, and commands an extenſive view, up and down the river, with a fine proſpect of the city.* ¶

WANTED, A PERSON who underſtands DRESSING BUCK-SKINS. Such an One may meet with Encouragement, by applying to ISAAC JACOBS, in Weſt-Whiteland Townſhip, Cheſter County. ¶

Lately imported, and to be ſold by
WILLIAM SITGREAVES,
At his STORE, in Market-ſtreet, oppoſite the Indian King,
AN Aſſortment of Goods, ſuitable to the Seaſon; among which are, ſheetings, ozenbrigs, Dutch dowlaſſes, platillas, britannias, checks, cotton and linen ſtripes, writing paper, knives and forks, pins, needles, &c. Alſo, Jamaica ſpirits, Continental rum, ſugar, cocoa, ſtarch, &c. &c. &c. 4*W.*
Said *Sitgreaves* wants a young, ſtrong, likely Chair Horſe.

TWO DOLLARS Reward.

WAS left at Pluckemin, in one of Captain Forreſt's Baggage Waggons, a neat FUZEE, marked on the Thumb Piece thus, F 50, Maker's Name on the Lock is *Wilſon*. Whoever has got ſaid Fuzee in their Poſſeſſion, and will deliver it to the Subſcriber, ſhall receive the above Reward for their Trouble.
*Philadelphia, March* 26, 1777. BENJAMIN JANUARY.

To be SOLD by public VENDUE, on the Fourth Day of April next, on the premiſes,

A VALUABLE plantation, ſituate in the Manor of Moreland, on the old York road, within 14 miles of Philadelphia, containing 146 acres of land, 80 acres cleared, about 12 thereof good meadow, and more may be made, the remainder well timbered; there is on ſaid place a two ſtory ſtone dwelling-houſe, with two large rooms on a floor, and a cellar under it; a well of good water at the door, a ſpring, with a ſtone houſe over it; barn, ſtables, and two bearing orchards; the whole in good repair, and pleaſantly ſituate for a Gentleman's country ſeat.

Alſo to be ſold on the ſame day, horſes, cows and ſheep, with a variety of houſhold and kitchen furniture, and ſeveral ſorts of grain by the buſhel, with implements of huſbandry, too tedious to mention. The whole being late the property of Colin M'Sweney, deceaſed, and to be ſold by JOHN MAN, jun. Executor.

*** The ſale to begin at ten o' clock, where due attendance will be given, and the conditions of ſale made known. ¶

To be SOLD by public VENDUE, on Saturday, the 12th of April,

A VALUABLE Plantation and Tract of LAND, ſituate in Saliſbury townſhip, Lancaſter county, containing 240 acres; 120 of which are cleared, and all the reſt well timbered; 18 acres of meadow made, and as much more may be made; there are alſo a good bearing orchard of 200 apple-trees, a good ſtone dwelling-houſe, a good barn and ſtables, good ſtone ſpring-houſe, and the whole is in good repair; there are two conſtant ſtreams of water running through ſaid land, which makes it particularly convenient, for there is plentiful drink for cattle in moſt of the fields. The ſale to begin at ten o' clock.
¶ SAMUEL HUGHES.

To be LETT, and may be entered on immediately, THAT well-accuſtomed TAVERN, now in the tenure Richard Cheyney, being on the main road leading from Philadelphia to Lancaſter, commonly known by the name of Downing's Tavern, and is eſteemed as good a ſtand for public buſineſs as any on the road. Any perſon inclining to rent, may view the premiſes, and know the terms, by applying to the owner, living near ſaid premiſes. ¶ JOHN DOWNING.

*Germantown Bleachfield, March* 22, 1777.

JACOB COLEMAN *will begin to bleach about the firſt of next month. Goods will be taken in at the following places in Philadelphia, viz. Mr. Clement Humphreys's, at the Bird-in-Hand tavern; Mr. George Zeller's, in Race-ſtreet, near the corner of Third-ſtreet; and at the above Bleachfield: All thoſe who will pleaſe to favour him with their cuſtom, may depend on having their goods whitened with all poſſible care and expedition, and at reaſonable rates. Any Gentlemen Merchants, who may poſſibly have goods wet with ſalt water, by coming over ſea, may have them cleared and done up again in the beſt manner, by making immediate application to the above* COLEMAN, *before the goods are damaged. He forewarns all perſons from coming on or near ſaid Bleachfield after night time, as they will anſwer the ſame at the hazard of their lives, for there will be a ſtrict watch kept with fire-arms and dogs.* ¶

To be SOLD or LETT, A LOT of GROUND, with a good Stone Houſe, Garden and Orchard, in Smithfield, Newtown Road, 14 Miles from Philadelphia. Enquire of JAMES VANSANT, near the Premiſes, or of JOHN FROMBERGER, in Philadelphia. ¶

The noted DRAUGHT-HORSE
PLUTUS,
*To cover until the firſt of Auguſt next, at the ſubſcriber's, in Birmingham townſhip, Cheſter county, near Chadd's Ford, on Brandywine, at* FOUR DOLLARS *the ſeaſon,*

PLUTUS *is a beautiful brown, and well marked, riſing five years old, near ſeventeen hands high, remarkably broad and well proportioned, trots gay and lofty, canters ſmooth and gallant, of great ſpirit, and is ſuppoſed to be equal if not ſuperior to any horſe in the province in ſtrength and trueneſs in drawing: Said horſe covered laſt ſeaſon, in Weſt-Jerſey, at Forty five Shillings the ſeaſon. He was got by the noted dray-horſe, called Jolly-Roger, which is proved the beſt horſe ever imported for ſervice. Any perſons that pleaſe to ſend their mares, may depend upon good care being taken of them, and paſture provided, at* 2s. 6d. *per week, by*
1776. WILLIAM HARVEY, jun.

TO BE LETT, A PLANTATION, belonging to William Peters, in Plockley townſhip, between 5 and 6 miles from this city; there are about 100 acres of cleared land, a large orchard, a ſufficient quantity of meadow, and very convenient buildings: The principal manſion-houſe, gardens, &c. to be reſerved. A perſon with a ſmall family will be preferred.---None but ſuch as are well recommended will be treated with. Apply at the Plantation, or to RICHARD PETERS, in Philadelphia. ¶

FOUND on the public Road, near Mary Weaver's Tavern, in Montgomery Township, on the 17th of March, 1777, A SMALL SUM OF MONEY. The Owner on enquiring of the PRINTERS, and paying for this Advertisement, may be informed where to apply for it. ¶

THE Assignees of the estate of Messieurs *Forbes* and *Patton*, late of Middletown, in Lancaster county, in June and August last, publicly advertised the Creditors of said estate to bring in their accompts, properly proved, in order to receive a dividend; nevertheless sundry of the said Creditors have neglected to comply with the same; they therefore give this further notice, that if they do not bring in their accounts to MARK FREEMAN, acting Assignee, in one month from the date hereof, they will be excluded a dividend of said estate.

MARK FREEMAN,
*Philad. March* 18, 1777. ROBERT WILSON,
§ WILLIAM SEMPLE.

To be sold by public VENDUE, on the premises, on Monday, the 31st day of March instant,

A TRACT or PIECE of LAND, situate in Bristol township, one mile from Germantown, now in the tenure of Magdalen Zimmerman, containing 14¾ acres, more or less; there are on the same, three dwelling-houses, barn, stable, spring-house, and other necessary buildings, two bearing orchards, about two acres of excellent watered meadow, and 5 or 6 acres of good woodland; the whole in good repair, and the title is indisputable. The sale to begin at ten o' clock in the forenoon, when due attendance will be given by CONRAD WEAVER.

Also at the same time and place will be sold, a walnut desk, walnut tables, bedsteads, cupboards, a joiner's bench, a turner's lath, a sett of carpenter's tools, a [illegible] of large cornish and bed-moulds, apple-tree and walnut boards and scantling, a sled, a couple of side saddles, and a variety of other articles, too tedious to mention. ‖1W. 5s.

WILLIAM JACKSON has for Sale,
At his Store, at the Sign of the Golden Key, in Water-street, a little below the Drawbridge,

GENUINE old Jamaica spirits, by the hogshead or gallon; Barbados cane juice, ditto; West-India and Country rum; Holland gin; melasses; muscovado, loaf and lump sugars; tea, coffee, and chocolate; indigo, pepper, ginger, allspice, &c. &c. all which he is determined to sell on the lowest terms, for Maryland Convention or Continental money.----- Orders from the country, sea stores, and shallopmens bills, put up on the shortest notice.

*** He requests those who are indebted to the late partnership of *Harper* and *Jackson* to pay off their respective balances; and those to whom they are indebted, are desired to call and have their accounts settled. ‖7s 6.

To be SOLD by public VENDUE, at the London Coffee-house, on Saturday, the 29th instant, at six o' clock in the evening,

A SMALL plantation, seven miles from Philadelphia, and one from Germantown, situated on a Lane (called The Church Lane) leading from Germantown to the old York road, containing upwards of 41 acres, 2 or 3 acres woodland; thereon is a neat stone house, two stories high, two rooms on a floor, with good garrets and cellars; a well of excellent water at the door; a barn, 45 by 20 feet; a small stone house, and a spring-house under it, a very large garden, boarded in, with a good asparagus bed in it; 12 acres of young bearing orchard, a great number of pear, cherry, plumb and other fruit trees, all of the best kind, and grafted. The whole is in good order, and the title indisputable. The terms may be known, by applying to JANE GROVES, on the premises. ‖1W.

To be SOLD by private SALE,

ONE equal Moiety of a BREW-HOUSE and MALT-HOUSE, together with all the Appurtenances belonging thereto. Hops, Malt, Barley, Casks, &c. Whoever inclines to purchase, or does purchase the said Brewery, may immediately commence brewing of Beer. Enquire of the PRINTERS. ¶

*Salem, March* 17, 1777.

To be sold by public Vendue, on Tuesday, the 5th day of April next, on the premises,

A LOT of excellent MEADOW, adjoining lands of Thomas Norris, Esq; and others, containing about six acres, be the same more or less: Also another LOT of Maple Swamp, part of which is cleared and a good bottom; bounding on lands of Richard Smith, jun. and others, containing by estimation 18½ acres. The vendue will begin at ten o'clock on the said day; where attendance will be given, and the conditions made known by FRANCIS GIBBON. ‖7s 6.

*Bordentown, March* 18, 1777.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the CONTINENTAL LOAN-OFFICE is now opened at BORDENTOWN, in New-Jersey, where Certificates, bearing an Interest of *Six per Cent.* are given out by the Subscriber, agreeable to the Resolves of Congress. JOSEPH BORDEN.

TO BE LETT,
And entered on the First of April next,

THE Noted TAVERN, known by the Sign of the Seven Stars, on Lancaster Road, 12 Miles from Philadelphia. For Particulars, enquire of JACOB WYNKOOP, on the Premises. ¶

EIGHT DOLLARS Reward.

DESERTED the 15th of February, from one of his Excellency General Washington's own regiments of foot guards, commanded by Col. John Patton, out of Captain Joseph Prowel's company, one *John Shaw*, an Irishman, about 5 feet 10 inches high, lusty bodied, but slender legs and thighs, black hair, pale faced, talks very slow; had on, when he went away, a felt hat, cloth coloured jacket, buckskin breeches, and white woollen stockings. Whoever takes up said deserter, and delivers him to Lieutenant Septimus Davis, in Tredyffryn township, Chester county, or otherwise to me in Philadelphia, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges, paid by

¶ JOSEPH PROWEL, Captain.

To be SOLD by private SALE,

A PLANTATION, situate in East-Nantmill township, Chester county, containing about 80 acres, whereof 26 acres are cleared, the rest woodland and 3 or 4 acres of meadow can be made with little trouble; and 10 acres of which under wheat and rye; there is on the premises a good log dwelling-house, and a log barn, with another out-house, and a young thriving orchard, with a good spring; it joins lands of Doctor Branson Vanleer, and would suit any tradesman extraordinary well, being handy to both Warwick and Reading Furnaces.--- Any person inclining to purchase, may know the terms, by applying to the subscriber, living upon the premises, who will give immediate entry; the title indisputable.

*March* 10, 1777. ‖ JACOB MAYER.

ABSCONDED *on the* 15th *instant, from the subscriber, living in Blockley township, Philadelphia county, a servant woman, named* Fanny Moore, *about* 35 *years of age, a lusty well set woman, of a swarthy complexion, with black hair; had on a black and white short calicoe gown, blue skirt, and a black silk bonnet; but it is likely she may change her clothes. Whoever takes up and secures said servant in the Work-house of Philadelphia, shall have* Fifteen Pence *reward, paid by* JACOB WAGGONER. ¶

To be SOLD at public SALE,
On the 9th day of April next ensuing, at six o'clock in the evening, at the London Coffee-house, by the subscriber,

THREE LOTS of GROUND, situate in the township of Lower-Merion, about 6 miles from the Middle Ferry, adjoining the great Lancaster road, and land of Owen Jones and Edward Price; two of said lots containing about 15 acres each, and the third 10 acres, a spring of water rises in the ten acre lot, and runs nearly through the middle of the other two; on one of the 15 acre lots there are upwards of four acres of good woodland, and on the other about three acres. A draught of the above lots may be seen at the London Coffee-house; any person having a mind to view the premises before the day of sale, may apply to JOHN PRICE, near the Merion Meeting-house. The conditions of sale will be made known at the time and place abovementioned, by WILLIAM LEWIS. ¶

*Alloway's Creek Township, March* 15, 1777.

JEMIMA WILSON, *the wife of* JOHN WILSON, *hereby forewarns all persons from trusting him on her account, for she never intends to live with him any more, nor have any concern with him, or to pay any of his debts; he is lame and I have taken the best care I could of him; he has sold all my effects.* J. W. ¶

*Philadelphia, March* 20, 1777.

WAS stolen from the subscriber, on the 18th instant, a large brown MARE, with a large star in her forehead, a natural pacer, with a long tail, about 16 hands high, about 5 years old. Whoever will secure the said mare, bridle and saddle, and thief, so that the owner may have her again, shall have TWENTY DOLLARS Reward, Seven Dollars for the mare, and Thirteen Dollars for the thief paid by

¶ THOMAS YARDLEY.

March 18, 1777.

STRAYED or STOLEN, *on the night of the* 16th *inst. from Horsham township Philadelphia county, a likely sorrel HORSE,* 9 *or* 10 *years old, a natural pacer, about* 14 *hands, high, shod all round had on a saddle, with joint stirrups, a blue sweat-cloth, bound with yellow binding Whoever takes up said horse and saddle, and brings them to the house of John Tomkins, at the Crooked Billet, shall receive THREE DOLLARS Reward, paid by* ISAIAH RADCLIFFE, ¶

STOLEN *out of the stable of the subscriber, in Upper-Dublin township, Philadelphia county, in the night of the* 30th *of December last, a large black MARE, about* 15½ *hands high, with several saddle-marks, and has a small star, one hind foot white, and one of her ribs on the near side has been broke, which can be easily discovered,* 9 *years old, paces and trots well. a short dock and carries it remarkably high; was stolen at the same time a bridle and saddle, with green plush housings Whoever secures the said mare, saddle and bridle, so that the owner may get them again, shall have Three Pounds Ten Shillings reward, or Three Pounds for the mare only, and reasonable charges, paid by*

March 21, 1777. ‖ 10w. SAMUEL SPENCER.

STRAYED or STOLEN *(but it is supposed the latter) from the pasture of the subscriber, living at the Centerhouse, Philadelphia, a dark brown Gelding, two years old, full* 14 *hands high, his near hind foot and off fore foot white, a long switch tail, and a small blaze in his forehead, trots and paces, and had on when he went away, a crupper fastened with reins round his breast. Whoever apprehends the thief and horse. and will bring them to me, shall have* Ten Dollars *reward, or* Five Dollars *for the horse alone, and reasonable charges, paid by*

March 12, 1777. ‖ ANTHONY CUTHBERT.

*Buckingham, Bucks County, March* 8, 1777.

WAS *taken up near John Bogart's Tavern, a roan Horse, with a Saddle on him, and a Blanket and Bag in it, an Apron and some Shoemaker's Tools, a Shirt and several other Things. The Owner is desired to come, prove his Property, pay the Charges, and take them away.*

*N. B. The Owner has got his Horse again and the other Goods remain in the Hands of Samuel Davis, near Coryell's Ferry.* ¶

TO BE SOLD,
A good BILLIARD TABLE.
Enquire of the PRINTERS hereof. ¶

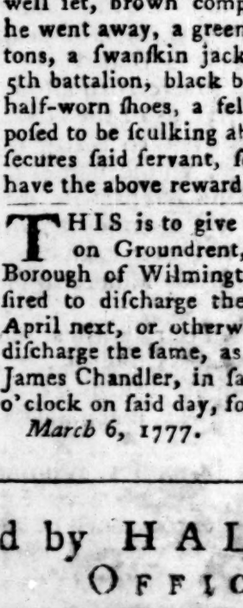
Philadelphia, March 4 1777.

ALL persons who have any Demands against the Subscribers for Ship Timber, &c. purchased by them for the Public, are requested to bring in their Accounts immediately, that they may be adjusted and paid.

DAVID THOMSON,
FRANCIS GRICE,
SAMUEL PENROSE,
WILLIAM POLLARD.

TO BE SOLD,

THE Brick MESSUAGE and LOT of GROUND, situate in Yorktown, in the State of Pennsylvania, now in the Occupation of Samuel Johnston, Esq; If not sold will be rented, and may be entered on the first of April next. For Terms, enquire of the Subscriber, or General Thompson, at Carlisle. ¶ JOHN BOYD.



LIBERTY.

THE subscriber hath purchased that noted full blooded Horse, called LIBERTY, to Cover this Season, until the first day of August next, at JACONIAH WOOD's Stable, in Wood's-town, Salem county, at the rate of *Three Pounds* the season, or *Five Pounds* to ensure a foal, and *Two Shillings and Six-pence* to the Groom; the money to be paid at the expiration of the season, or before. All those mares that are not with foal, that came last year by the season, may come this, at the rate of *Thirty Shillings* per mare by the season. Good pasture will be provided for mares at *Two Shillings and Six-pence* per week, and proper care taken of them, by

JOHN SNODE.

LIBERTY is a fine blood bay, 15 hands and an inch high, very lengthy and strong, and allowed by all good judges to be as handsome a horse as any in America; equal to any in moving, for gaiety, good spirits, and ease to the rider. It would be needless to say any thing of his pedigree or performance, as it hath been so often ascertained heretofore. ‖ 6W.

*Northampton Township, Bucks County, February* 25, 1777.

FOUR DOLLARS Reward.

RUN away from the subscriber, an indented servant man, named *Charles Anthony Moss*, about 5 feet 7 inches high, well set, brown complexion, a High German; had on, when he went away, a green cloth coat and jacket, with worsted buttons, a swanskin jacket, with pewter buttons, stamped for the 5th battalion, black buckskin breeches, Germantown stockings, half-worn shoes, a felt hat, bound round the edge; he is supposed to be sculking about Philadelphia. Whoever takes up and secures said servant, so that his master may get him again, shall have the above reward, paid by JAMES VANSANT. ¶

THIS is to give notice to all persons that have LOTS on Groundrent, due to the Swedes Congregation in the Borough of Wilmington, New-Castle county, that they are desired to discharge the same, between this and the fifth day of April next, or otherwise their lots will, on that day, be sold to discharge the same, as attendance will be given at the house of James Chandler, in said Borough, from the hours of 10 to 5 o'clock on said day, for that purpose, by

*March* 6, 1777. ‖ JUSTA WALRAVEN, Trustee.

BY virtue of a writ to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on Saturday, the 12th day of April next, on the premises, a valuable PLANTATION, situate in the township of Mannington, in the county of Salem, and joining to lands of Edward Keasbey, Benjamin Wynkoop, Lewis Simms, and others, containing about 220 acres, be the same more or less, with a good dwelling-house, kitchen, barn and stable, and other out-houses, a good apple and peach orchard, and a noted spring of good water, generally known by the name of Nicholson's spring; 100 acres of the premises are cleared land, of a good quality, a quantity of drained meadow, and the remainder well timbered woodland; late the property of Joseph Burroughs, Esq; deceased, seized and taken in execution by

*Feb.* 12, 1777. ‖7s 6. THOMAS SINNICKSON, Sheriff.

To be sold by public vendue, on Monday, the 31st day of March instant, by the subscriber, in Carnarvon township, Lancaster county, on his plantation,

ONE of the best GRIST-MILLS in America, having two water-wheels, four pair of stones, five boulting-cloths, on Conestogoe, a never-failing stream, with 15 feet fall, in a good wheat country: Also one of the quickest cutting saw-mills. One half of the groundrent of the town of Port-Royal, equal to 70l. sterling, per annum. A house and lot in said town. A piece of timber-land in Breacknock township. Four teams; a repeating eight-day clock; a repeating watch; nine hogsheads of cyder-royal; and sundry sorts of household goods, too tedious to mention. The vendue to begin at ten o' clock; due attendance and reasonable credit will be given, by

† HENRY WEAVER.

*N. B.* The Mill, if not sold then, will be rented out.

CAME to the plantation of the subscriber, living in Norrington township, Philadelphia county, in September last, FIVE STRAY SHEEP, of different marks. The owner or owners of said sheep are desired to come, prove his or their property, pay charges, and take them away.

*March* 4, 1777. ‖ ARCHIBALD THOMSON, jun.

To be SOLD, or LETT, on very reasonable Terms, by the Subscriber,

A PLANTATION, situated about 4 miles and ½ from Philadelphia, on Hartford road, in Blockley township, whereon is a two story brick tenement, with a good kitchen adjoining, a good barn, and stabling, a young bearing orchard of good fruit, also a number of excellent pear and peach trees, a few acres of cleared meadow, and land suitable for more; the tract containing in the whole 74½ acres, and rather more than the one half cleared and under fence; the woodland very well timbered. For further particulars, enquire of

*Philad. March* 4 1777. ¶ MARY JENKINS.

To be SOLD at private SALE,

THE noted TAVERN, known by the Sign of the Fox Chace, in Haverford township, Chester county, about ten miles from Philadelphia, containing about 70 acres, 20 acres of which are woodland, now in the tenure of the Widow Coates. For terms of sale, apply to NICHOLAS PECHIN, or MARTIN MILLER, living near the premises; or to CHRISTOPHER PECHIN, in Philadelphia.

*N. B.* If the above place is not sold by the tenth day of April next, it will be lett. *March* 4, 1777.

EIGHT DOLLARS Reward.

RUN away from the subscriber, living in New-London township, Chester county, an Irish servant boy, named PETER RUNDLES about 15 years of age, about 5 feet 2 inches high, well built, full faced, of a bold countenance, very active in his undertakings, much given to swearing and lying, middling short hair, of a dark pale colour, black eyes; had on, when he went away, an old castor hat, tow linen shirt, an ash coloured country made coat, of coating, buckskin breeches, old stockings, and a red jacket, lined in the body with flannel, a pair of half-worn shoes stitched on the rand all round the soal; also took with him a new fine blanket. Whoever takes up and secures said boy, so that his master may get him again, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges, paid by

*February* 17, 1777. ‖7s 6. SAMUEL KENNEDY.

FOR SALE,

A NEAT Brick HOUSE, two stories high, situate on the Main-street in the town of Reading; it is a corner house, 21 feet front and 31 feet deep, with a good brick kitchen, and a cellar under the whole; the LOT is 60 feet front, and upwards of 300 feet deep, upon which are erected, besides the house and kitchen abovementioned, an excellent frame barn, 37 feet long and 20 feet wide, a fine wood shed and store house; there is a garden neatly pailed in, and several excellent fruit trees, and as good a grass lot as any in the town; the whole in good repair. Also,

Thirty-seven ACRES of LAND, within one mile of the above house, whereon is erected a good stone house, where a tenant now lives, and a neat brick room 20 feet square, with a piazza, commanding a beautiful and extensive prospect; 10 or 12 acres are cleared, the rest is young thriving timber; there are 5 acres of meadow made, watered by a very large and never-failing spring, and produces hay equal to any in the province; there are a number of excellent young fruit trees, of the first quality; to be sold with or without the abovementioned house: The title to both indisputable. For terms, apply to the PRINTERS.

To be SOLD, in pursuance of the last Will and Testament of the late Samuel Robinson, deceased, at the town of Dover, in Kent county, on Delaware, at public sale, on Wednesday, the 14th day of May next,

A VALUABLE PLANTATION or Tract of Land, situate in Murderkill Hundred, Kent county, and whereon Rodger Parratt now dwells, containing 314¾ acres, about 170 acres of which is cleared, the soil is good and supported by an excellent clay bottom, produces plentiful crops, particularly wheat. There is on said place a tolerable good dwelling house, with sundry out-houses, and other conveniencies, particularly a large orchard of excellent fruit-trees; and is within six miles of Dover, four and an half of sundry grist mills, and six of a landing, where produce is shipped for the Philadelphia market. The terms will be made known on the day of sale, and attendance given by

‖ 12s 6. DANIEL ROBINSON, Executor.

WAEREAS sundry Persons have lodged a Number of Trunks, Papers, &c. &c. with me: These are therefore to request they will take them away, within three Weeks from this Date, as it is inconvenient for me to keep them any longer, being determined to remove from my present Habitation.

† BENJAMIN DAVIDS, Innholder, Corner
*March* 8, 1777. of Second and Arch-streets.

To be SOLD by the Subscriber, living in Montgomery township, Philadelphia county,

THE plantation whereon he now dwells, containing one hundred acres; bounded by lands of the reverend Joshua Jones, John Thomas, Cadwalader Roberts, Jown Sympson, and John Harris; whereon are a convenient dwelling-house, barn, stables, &c. also a good orchard, which produces good summer and winter fruit, about 18 acres of good meadow, and more may be made, most of which may be watered, and about [illegible] acres of woodland, the rest cleared and in good repair, an excellent well of water near the door, and a never-failing spring a little distant, with a new house over it. Said place is contiguous to several places of worship, as also to a saw-mill and grist-mills, and a free school which is in said township. Said place is about 21 miles distant from Philadelphia, and the title indisputable.

¶ SAMUEL DUNLAP.

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